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Re: Request for return of surrendered original patent 6269950

Application Serial Number 10/621,242  
Filed: 07/15/2003  
Inv: Nguyen  
Atty Dkt: NBUYT03/03RI

Dear Sir or Madame:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.178, applicant hereby requests return of the original patent 6269950, which had been surrendered with the filing of the above reissue application.

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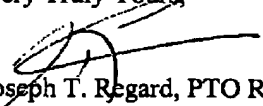
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Wherefore, it is requested that surrendered patent 6269950 be returned.

Should there be any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at 985 845 0000.

Very Truly Yours,

  
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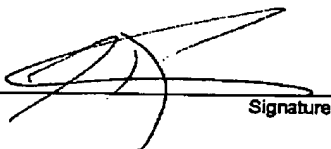
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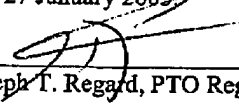
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- 1) Request for return of surrendered original patent 6269950 ; and
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